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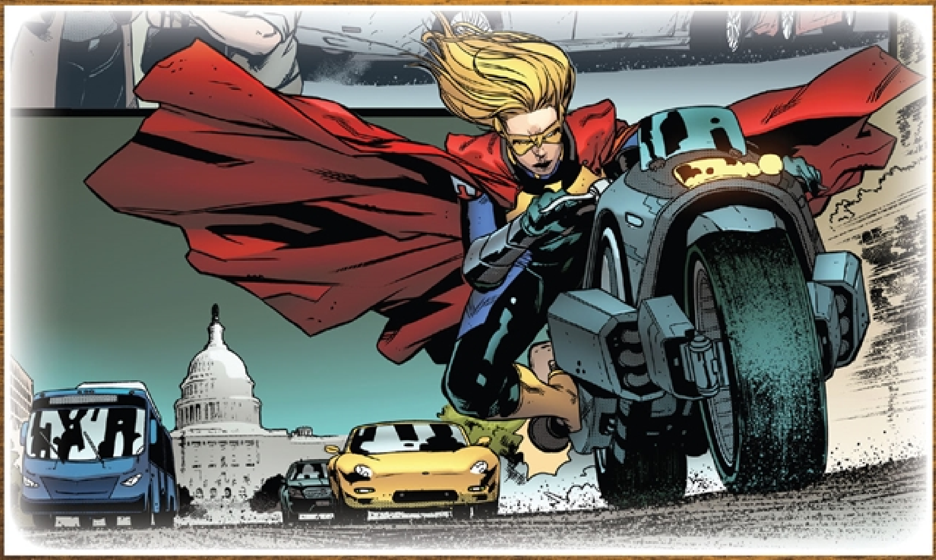
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"THE WORLD OF NO RETURN"

In a world in which the Avengers never existed, the Squadron Supreme of America are and have always been Earth's Mightiest Heroes!

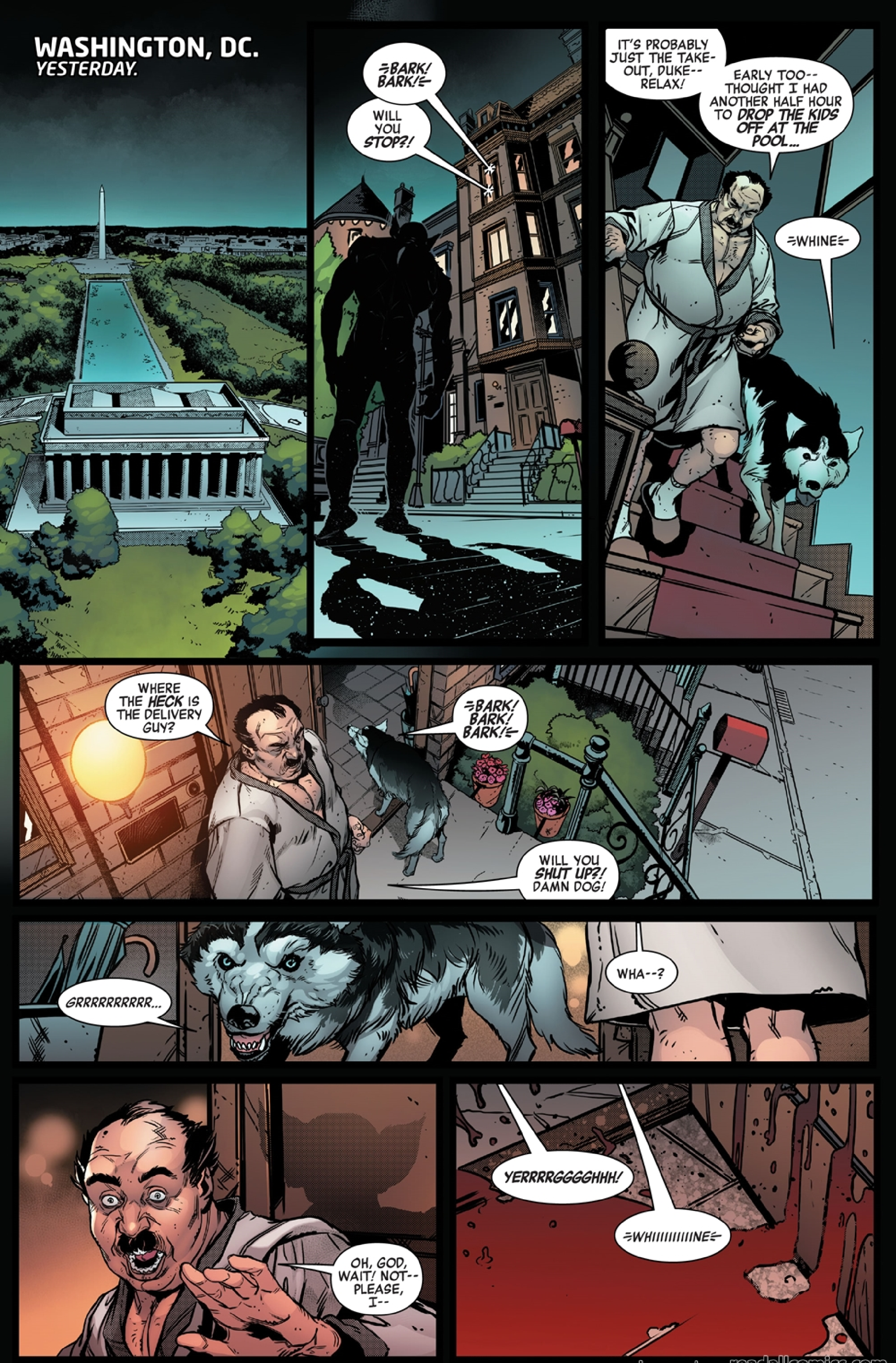
NIGHT-GWEN

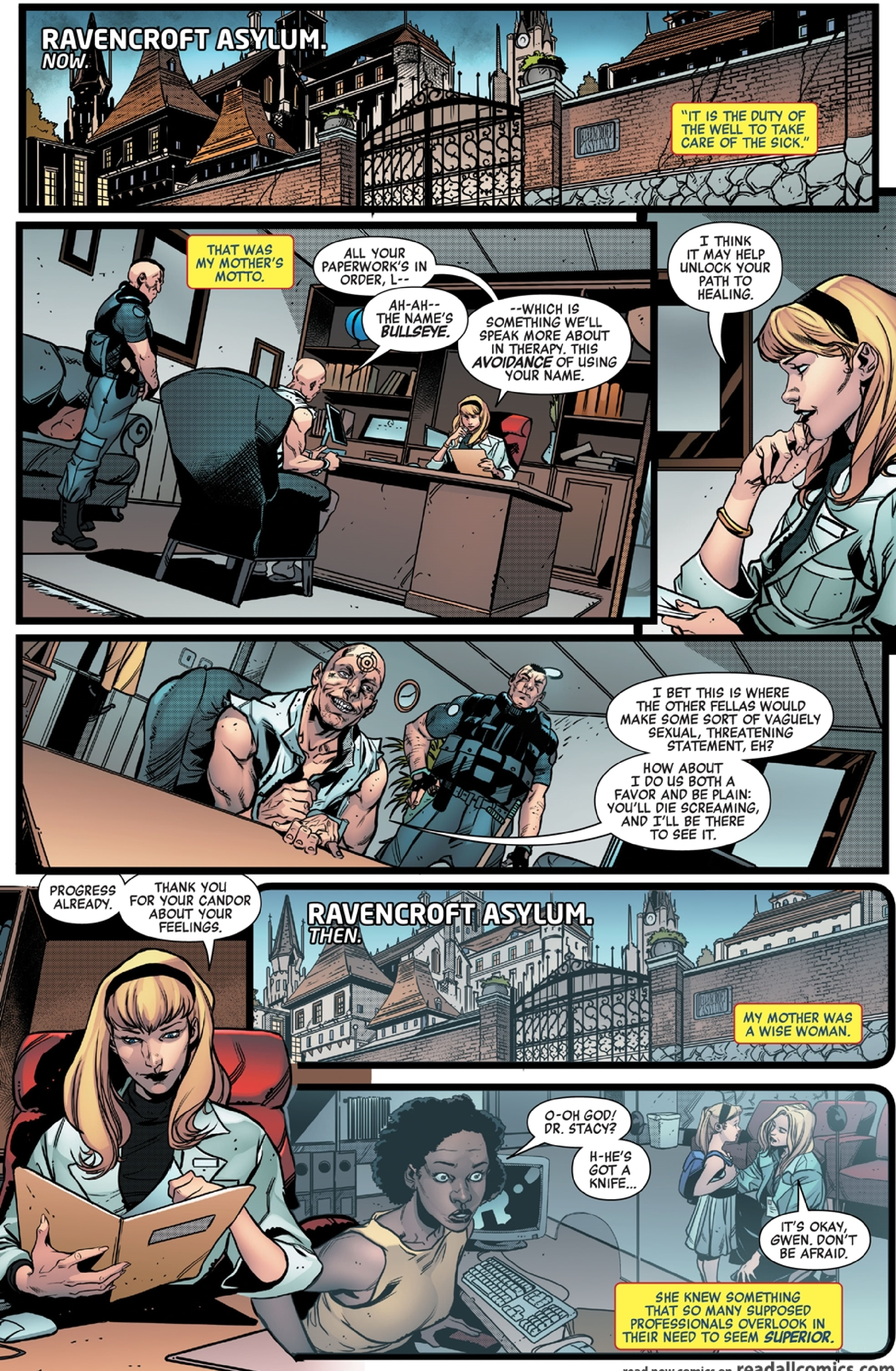


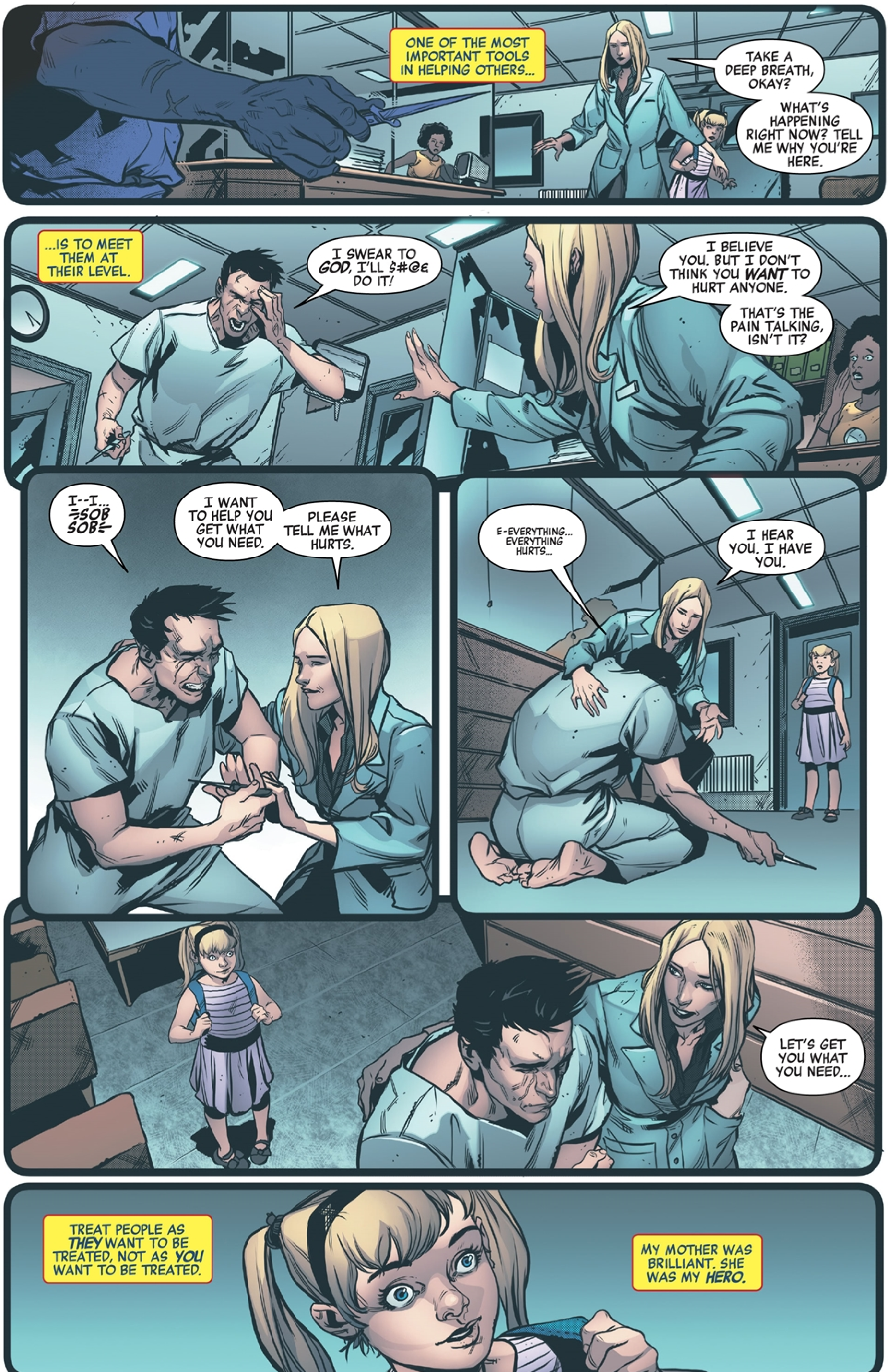
"HUNTERS & PREY"

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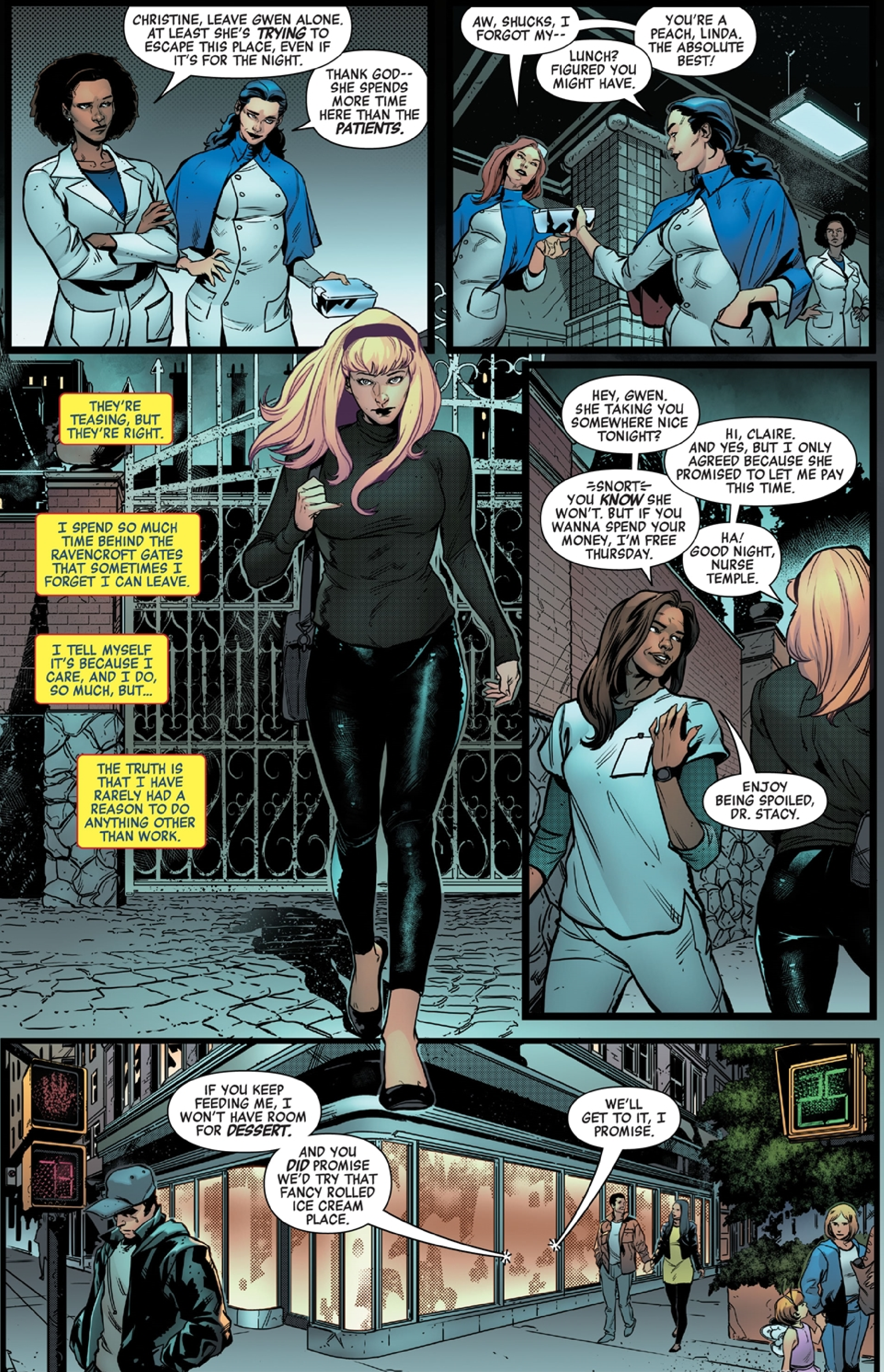

WASHINGTON, DC.
YESTERDAY.
=BARK! BARK!=
WILL YOU STOP?!
IT'S PROBABLY JUST THE TAKE-OUT, DUKE-- RELAX!
EARLY TOO-- THOUGHT I HAD ANOTHER HALF HOUR TO DROP THE KIDS OFF AT THE POOL...
=WHINE=
WHERE THE HECK IS THE DELIVERY GUY?
=BARK! BARK! BARK!=
WILL YOU SHUT UP?! DAMN DOG!
GRRRRRRRRRR...
WHA--?
OH, GOD, WAIT! NOT-- PLEASE, I--
YERRRRGGGGHHH!
=WHIIIIIIIIINE=

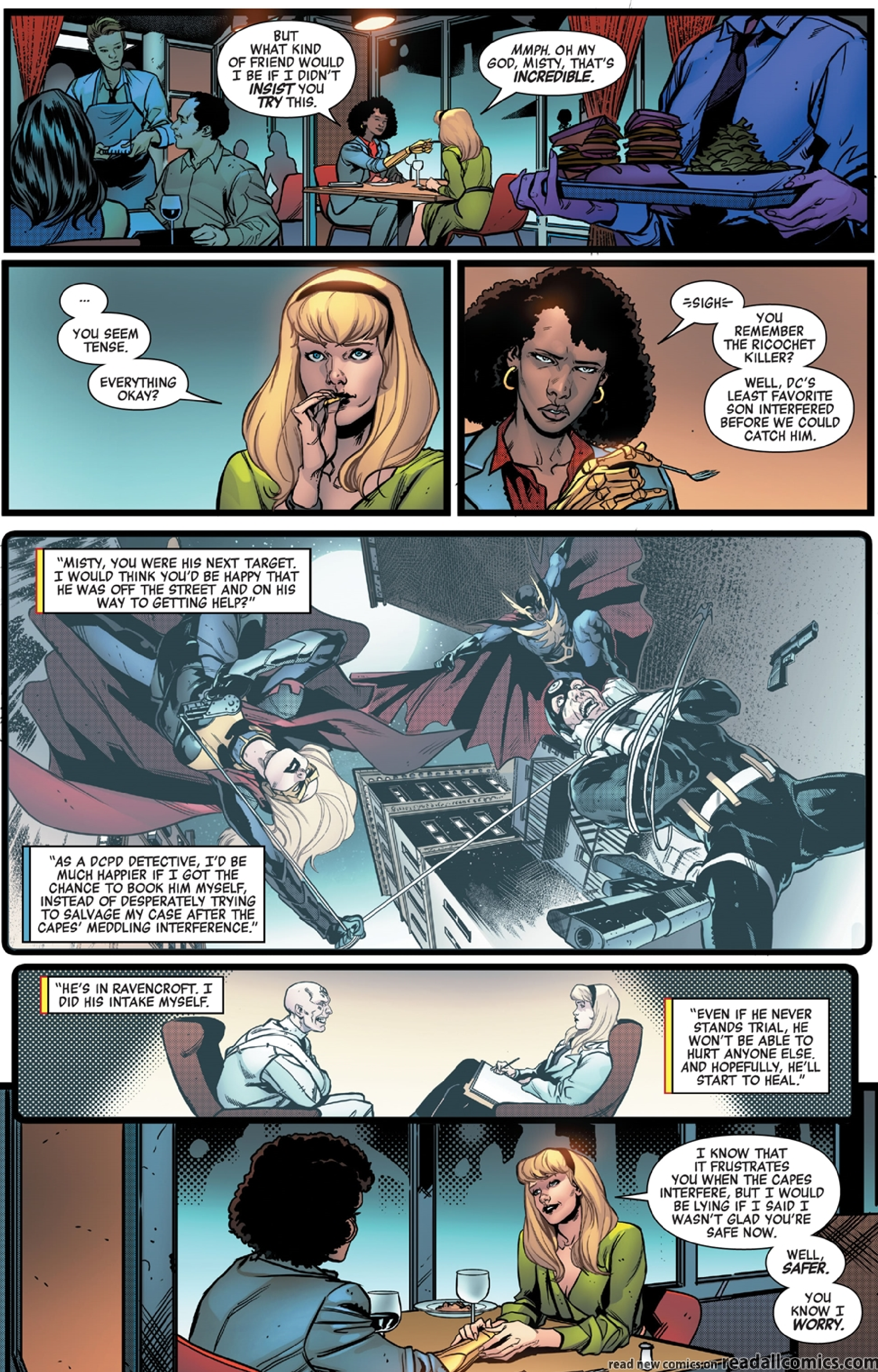

RAVENCROFT ASYLUM.
NOW.
"IT IS THE DUTY OF THE WELL TO TAKE CARE OF THE SICK."
THAT WAS MY MOTHER'S MOTTO.
ALL YOUR PAPERWORK'S IN ORDER, L--
AH-AH-- THE NAME'S BULLSEYE.
--WHICH IS SOMETHING WE'LL SPEAK MORE ABOUT IN THERAPY. THIS AVOIDANCE OF USING YOUR NAME.
I THINK IT MAY HELP UNLOCK YOUR PATH TO HEALING.
I BET THIS IS WHERE THE OTHER FELLAS WOULD MAKE SOME SORT OF VAGUELY SEXUAL, THREATENING STATEMENT, EH?
HOW ABOUT I DO US BOTH A FAVOR AND BE PLAIN: YOU'LL DIE SCREAMING, AND I'LL BE THERE TO SEE IT.
PROGRESS ALREADY.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CANDOR ABOUT YOUR FEELINGS.
RAVENCROFT ASYLUM.
THEN.
MY MOTHER WAS A WISE WOMAN.
O-OH GOD! DR. STACY?
H-HE'S GOT A KNIFE...
IT'S OKAY, GWEN. DON'T BE AFRAID.
SHE KNEW SOMETHING THAT SO MANY SUPPOSED PROFESSIONALS OVERLOOK IN THEIR NEED TO SEEM SUPERIOR.

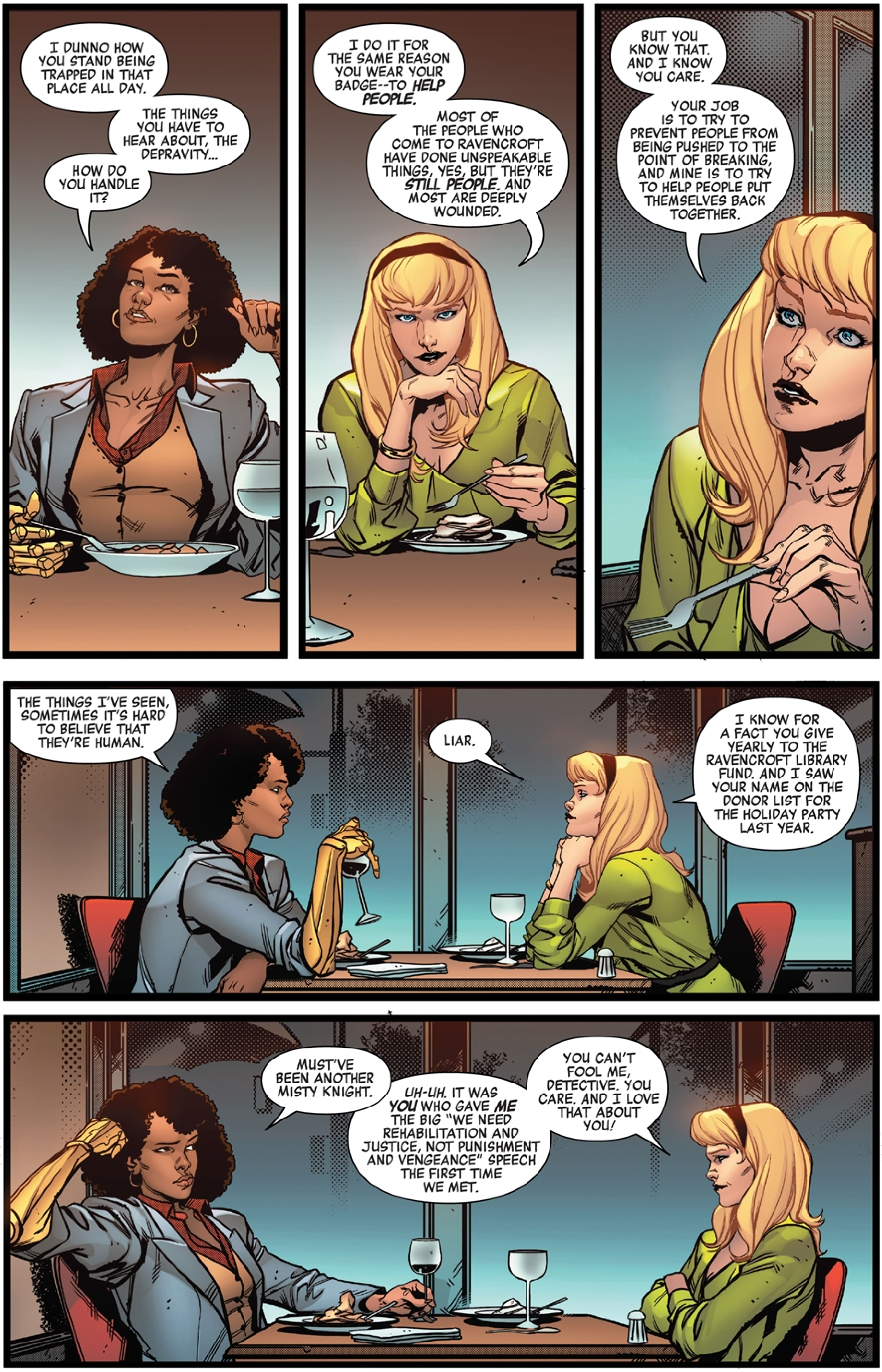

ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT TOOLS IN HELPING OTHERS...
TAKE A DEEP BREATH, OKAY?
WHAT'S HAPPENING RIGHT NOW? TELL ME WHY YOU'RE HERE.
...IS TO MEET THEM AT THEIR LEVEL.
I SWEAR TO GOD, I'LL $#@€ DO IT!
I BELIEVE YOU. BUT I DON'T THINK YOU WANT TO HURT ANYONE.
THAT'S THE PAIN TALKING, ISN'T IT?
I--I... SOB SOB
I WANT TO HELP YOU GET WHAT YOU NEED.
PLEASE TELL ME WHAT HURTS.
E-EVERYTHING... EVERYTHING HURTS...
I HEAR YOU. I HAVE YOU.
LET'S GET YOU WHAT YOU NEED...
TREAT PEOPLE AS THEY WANT TO BE TREATED, NOT AS YOU WANT TO BE TREATED.
MY MOTHER WAS BRILLIANT. SHE WAS MY HERO.


SHE INSPIRED ME IN SO MANY WAYS.
WE'LL GET STARTED ON ASSESSMENT IN A FEW DAYS.
UNTIL THEN, TRY TO PRACTICE MINDFULNESS.
UNFORTUNATELY, INSTITUTIONS CHANGE.
MOVE IT, ANIMAL.
DOCTOR SKIVORSKI.
I SEE YOU'RE MAKING FRIENDS.
EVERYWHERE I GO.
I'M HERE ABOUT--
THE GOBLIN FILES? I'VE GOT THEM RIGHT HERE FOR YOU.
=AHEM= YES, UH, THANK YOU.
ALSO, I WAS WONDERING IF YOU...MIGHT HAVE PLANS FOR DINNER?
SORRY, LEONARD...
...I HAVE PLANS.
MK <3
HEY BLONDIE, DON'T FORGET-- RESERVATION'S FOR 7PM!


DOCTOR JENKINS!
GEORGIA!
HMM?
SORRY TO BOTHER YOU, BUT I WANTED TO MAKE SURE YOU GOT THE SYTSEVICH FILE.
I THINK WE'VE HAD SOME REALLY PROMISING BREAKTHROUGHS THE LAST FEW SESSIONS.
IMPRESSIVE.
I'LL ADMIT I WAS WORRIED THAT YOU WERE GETTING YOUR HOPES UP, BUT YOU'VE MANAGED TO REACH SOME OF OUR TOUGHER CASES.
I JUST TRY TO MEET THEM WHERE THEY ARE.
BUT YOU'RE ONE TO TALK. YOU'RE THE BEST PSYCHIATRIST THIS PLACE HAS!
YOU'RE JUST BUTTERING ME UP BECAUSE I AGREED TO TAKE YOUR OVERNIGHT.
SPEAKING OF WHICH, I'M SURPRISED. YOU'RE USUALLY THE FIRST TO SIGN UP FOR NIGHT OVERTIME. WHY THE SUDDEN VANISHING ACT DURING YOUR FAVORITE SHIFT?
SOME PARAMOUR CATCH YOUNG STACY'S ATTENTION?
MAYBE I'M TAKING YOUR ADVICE AND LETTING MYSELF HAVE A BREAK?
SCUSE!
COME ON, I DON'T WANNA BE LATE...AGAIN.
WHERE YA GOIN', GWEN? THIRD TIME THIS MONTH YOU AREN'T DOING A DOUBLE!
YOU MISS ANOTHER LATE-WATCH SHIFT, YOU'LL HAVE TO TURN IN YOUR HONORARY NIGHT NURSE CARD!


CHRISTINE, LEAVE GWEN ALONE. AT LEAST SHE'S TRYING TO ESCAPE THIS PLACE, EVEN IF IT'S FOR THE NIGHT.
THANK GOD-- SHE SPENDS MORE TIME HERE THAN THE PATIENTS.
AW, SHUCKS, I FORGOT MY--
LUNCH? FIGURED YOU MIGHT HAVE.
YOU'RE A PEACH, LINDA. THE ABSOLUTE BEST!
THEY'RE TEASING, BUT THEY'RE RIGHT.
I SPEND SO MUCH TIME BEHIND THE RAVENCROFT GATES THAT SOMETIMES I FORGET I CAN LEAVE.
I TELL MYSELF IT'S BECAUSE I CARE, AND I DO, SO MUCH, BUT...
THE TRUTH IS THAT I HAVE RARELY HAD A REASON TO DO ANYTHING OTHER THAN WORK.
HEY, GWEN. SHE TAKING YOU SOMEWHERE NICE TONIGHT?
HI, CLAIRE. AND YES, BUT I ONLY AGREED BECAUSE SHE PROMISED TO LET ME PAY THIS TIME.
SNORT YOU KNOW SHE WON'T. BUT IF YOU WANNA SPEND YOUR MONEY, I'M FREE THURSDAY.
HA! GOOD NIGHT, NURSE TEMPLE.
ENJOY BEING SPOILED, DR. STACY.
IF YOU KEEP FEEDING ME, I WON'T HAVE ROOM FOR DESSERT.
AND YOU DID PROMISE WE'D TRY THAT FANCY ROLLED ICE CREAM PLACE.
WE'LL GET TO IT, I PROMISE.


BUT WHAT KIND OF FRIEND WOULD I BE IF I DIDN'T **INSIST** YOU **TRY** THIS.
MMPH. OH MY GOD, MISTY, THAT'S ***INCREDIBLE.***
...
YOU SEEM TENSE.
EVERYTHING OKAY?
=SIGH=
YOU REMEMBER THE RICOCHET KILLER?
WELL, DC'S LEAST FAVORITE SON INTERFERED BEFORE WE COULD CATCH HIM.
"MISTY, YOU WERE HIS NEXT TARGET. I WOULD THINK YOU'D BE HAPPY THAT HE WAS OFF THE STREET AND ON HIS WAY TO GETTING HELP?"
"AS A DCPD DETECTIVE, I'D BE MUCH HAPPIER IF I GOT THE CHANCE TO BOOK HIM MYSELF, INSTEAD OF DESPERATELY TRYING TO SALVAGE MY CASE AFTER THE CAPES' MEDDLING INTERFERENCE."
"HE'S IN RAVENCROFT. I DID HIS INTAKE MYSELF.
"EVEN IF HE NEVER STANDS TRIAL, HE WON'T BE ABLE TO HURT ANYONE ELSE. AND HOPEFULLY, HE'LL START TO HEAL."
I KNOW THAT IT FRUSTRATES YOU WHEN THE CAPES INTERFERE, BUT I WOULD BE LYING IF I SAID I WASN'T GLAD YOU'RE SAFE NOW.
WELL, **SAFER.**
YOU KNOW I **WORRY.**


I DUNNO HOW YOU STAND BEING TRAPPED IN THAT PLACE ALL DAY.
THE THINGS YOU HAVE TO HEAR ABOUT, THE DEPRAVITY...
HOW DO YOU HANDLE IT?
I DO IT FOR THE SAME REASON YOU WEAR YOUR BADGE--TO *HELP PEOPLE.*
MOST OF THE PEOPLE WHO COME TO RAVENCROFT HAVE DONE UNSPEAKABLE THINGS, YES, BUT THEY'RE *STILL PEOPLE.* AND MOST ARE DEEPLY WOUNDED.
BUT YOU KNOW THAT. AND I KNOW YOU CARE.
YOUR JOB IS TO TRY TO PREVENT PEOPLE FROM BEING PUSHED TO THE POINT OF BREAKING, AND MINE IS TO TRY TO HELP PEOPLE PUT THEMSELVES BACK TOGETHER.
THE THINGS I'VE SEEN, SOMETIMES IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE THAT THEY'RE HUMAN.
LIAR.
I KNOW FOR A FACT YOU GIVE YEARLY TO THE RAVENCROFT LIBRARY FUND. AND I SAW YOUR NAME ON THE DONOR LIST FOR THE HOLIDAY PARTY LAST YEAR.
MUST'VE BEEN ANOTHER MISTY KNIGHT.
UH-UH. IT WAS ***YOU*** WHO GAVE ***ME*** THE BIG "WE NEED REHABILITATION AND JUSTICE, NOT PUNISHMENT AND VENGEANCE" SPEECH THE FIRST TIME WE MET.
YOU CAN'T FOOL ME, DETECTIVE. YOU CARE. AND I LOVE THAT ABOUT *YOU!*



...FINE, YOU WIN. BUT THAT DOESN'T EXTEND TO CAPES.
THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG WITH THEM THAT CAN'T BE FIXED.
HEY, HON, CAN I GET THE CHECK WHEN YOU GET THE CHANCE?
YOU OKAY?
YEAH, I...
I WISH I DIDN'T HAVE TO KEEP SECRETS FROM MISTY, BUT...
SORRY ABOUT THE WAIT!
BZZZZT BZZZT
NOT AT ALL--JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE WE CAUGHT YOU BEFORE YOU CLOSED OUT.
HEY, YOU SAID--
HUSH--YOU CAN GET DESSERT.
BZZZZT BZZZT
KNIGHT.
...
$#@%. UNDERSTOOD.
...I DON'T THINK THAT SHE'S READY TO KNOW.
RAIN CHECK ON DESSERT AGAIN, HUH?


IF IT WEREN'T FOR NIGHTBIRD, MISTY WOULDN'T BE AROUND TO HAVE FANCY TAPAS WITH DR. STACY.
BUT ALSO, IF NOT FOR NIGHTBIRD, THE MAN WHO INSISTS ON CALLING HIMSELF BULLSEYE MIGHT NOT GET THE CHANCE TO GET BETTER. HE WOULD PROBABLY BE DEAD, KILLED IN SELF-DEFENSE.
--VICTIM IDENTIFIED AS NICK MANOLIS AGED 48.
DR. STACY AND NIGHTBIRD ARE TWO SIDES OF THE SAME COIN.
OH, NICK...
DAY--
--AND NIGHT.
GET RID OF ONE--
--AND THE OTHER IS UNBALANCED.
BIRD
CRAZY
I'LL FIND WHOEVER DID THIS.
AND I'LL MAKE SURE THEY GET THE HELP THEY NEED, SO THIS DOESN'T HAPPEN AGAIN.

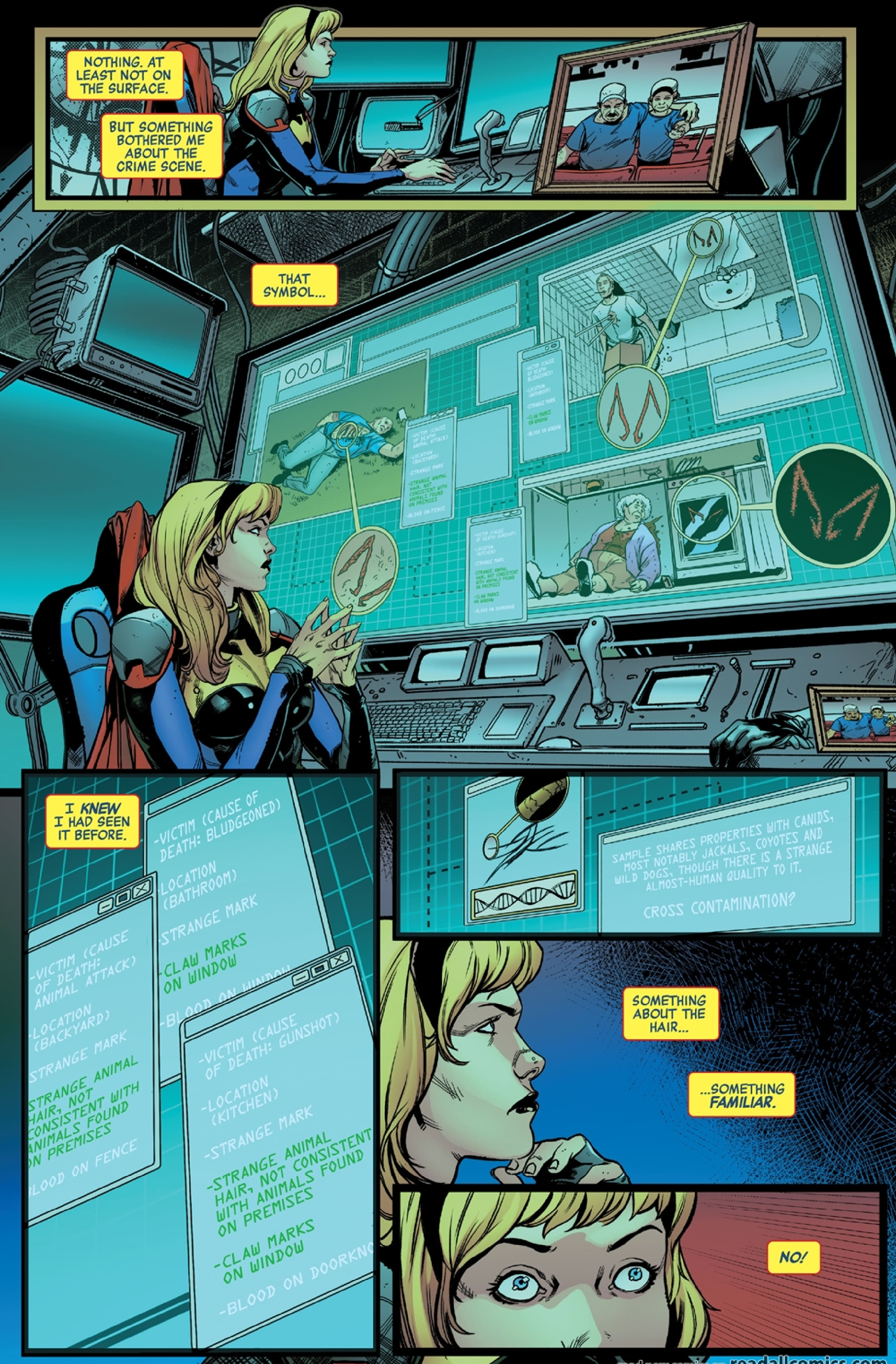

COMMISSIONER CAGE. WANNA GET ME UP TO SPEED?
WE REALLY GONNA WASTE TIME WHEN ONE OF OURS WAS TAKEN OUT?
NICE OUTFIT.
FAIR ENOUGH.
DAMN, THEY GOT THE DOG TOO? ABSOLUTE MONSTERS.
EVERYONE OUT. I CAN'T CONCENTRATE WITH ALL THIS NOISE.
YOU HEARD THE LADY. TAKE TEN, SHE'S NOT GONNA TOUCH ANYTHING.
KLIK
HEY, MISTY, NICE OUTFIT. THIRD TIME THIS MONTH YOU DRESSED UP FOR US.
YOU TRYING TO IMPRESS ANDERSON?
HE WISHES.
=AHEM= AS YOU REMINDED ME, THAT'S ONE OF OURS UNDER THERE. LESS TALKING, MORE WALKING.
TCH. DAMN.
YEAH. WHAT'S YOUR FIRST IMPRESSION, DETECTIVE?
IF IT WEREN'T FOR THE BLOOD SPATTER PATTERN, I'D SWEAR THIS WAS A BEAR ATTACK.
BUT LOOKING CLOSER, THE WOUNDS...THEY'RE TOO CLEAN.


WOUNDS ARE CONSISTENT WITH RAZORS, BUT THEY'RE BEING WIELDED LIKE CLAWS.
M.O. DOESN'T RING A BELL, BUT IT'S NOT THE WEIRDEST THING I'VE SEEN IN THIS TOWN.
I'M GONNA WANT TO WALK THE HOUSE.
I BOUGHT YOU TEN MINUTES, BUT KEEP IN MIND THEY HAVEN'T PROCESSED UPSTAIRS YET...
"...LOOK WITH YOUR EYES, KNIGHT, NOT WITH YOUR HANDS."
NICK MANOLIS.
RETIRED LAST YEAR AFTER A CASE WENT BAD AND HE WAS INJURED.
DIVORCED. ONE CHILD, JUST OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL NOW.
HE HAD 25 YEARS ON THE DCPD.
GRADUATIO
HANDPICKED BY MY FATHER FOR HIS UNIT.
HE WAS THERE FOR ME WHEN MY DAD PASSED.
WHY DO WE ONLY REMEMBER TO REACH OUT WHEN IT'S TOO LATE?



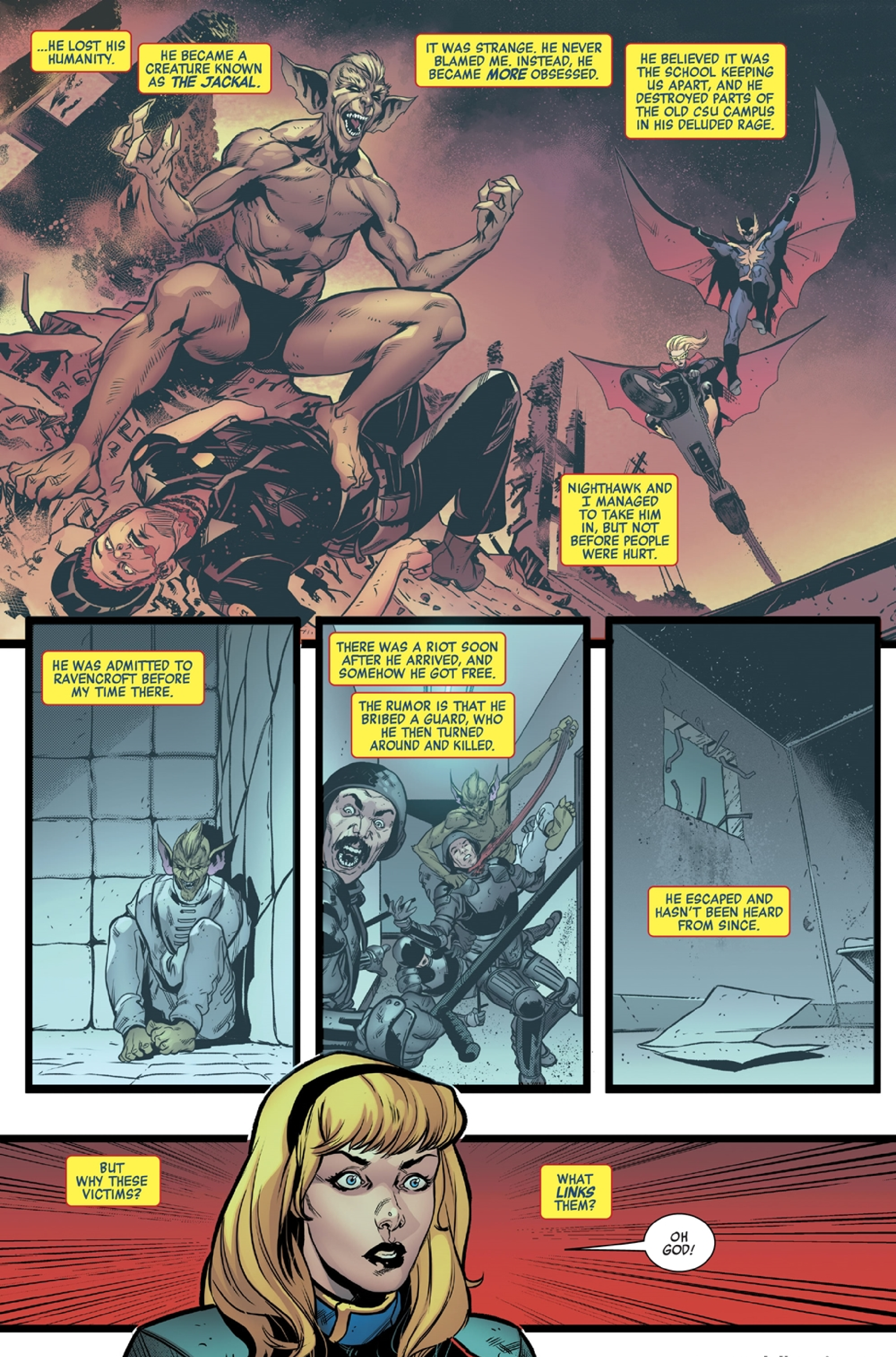
THIS MARK...I'VE SEEN IT BEFORE.
BUT WHERE?
WHAT THE--?
FREEZE!
DAMN IT!
WHY ARE YOU DEAD, NICK?
I SUPPOSE THE BEST PLACE TO START IS WITH THE PEOPLE WHO WOULD SMILE TO HEAR THE NEWS.


I START WITH THE MOST OBVIOUS.
PEOPLE WHOSE BUSINESS IT IS TO HURT OTHERS. PEOPLE THAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN PAID TO HURT HIM.
DCPD
HAMMERHEAD
#24489239
DCPD
BLACK MARIA
#14568774
THEN ON TO PEOPLE WHO PERSONALLY HAD A GRUDGE AGAINST NICK, PEOPLE HE BUSTED.
PEOPLE WHO HAVE LOST MONEY BECAUSE HE WAS GOOD AT HIS JOB.
DCPD
R. NEGATIVE
#85672589
AND FINALLY, PEOPLE WHO SHOULD HAVE HAD NICK'S BACK, BUT WHO HE EXPOSED TO BE MORE INTERESTED IN *OTHER BUSINESS*.



NOTHING. AT LEAST NOT ON THE SURFACE.
BUT SOMETHING BOTHERED ME ABOUT THE CRIME SCENE.
THAT SYMBOL...
I KNEW I HAD SEEN IT BEFORE.
-VICTIM (CAUSE OF DEATH: BLUDGEONED)
-LOCATION (BATHROOM)
-STRANGE MARK
-CLAW MARKS ON WINDOW
-VICTIM (CAUSE OF DEATH: ANIMAL ATTACK)
-LOCATION (BACKYARD)
-STRANGE MARK
-STRANGE ANIMAL HAIR, NOT CONSISTENT WITH ANIMALS FOUND ON PREMISES
-BLOOD ON FENCE
-VICTIM (CAUSE OF DEATH: GUNSHOT)
-LOCATION (KITCHEN)
-STRANGE MARK
-STRANGE ANIMAL HAIR, NOT CONSISTENT WITH ANIMALS FOUND ON PREMISES
-CLAW MARKS ON WINDOW
SAMPLE SHARES PROPERTIES WITH CANIDS, MOST NOTABLY JACKALS, COYOTES AND WILD DOGS, THOUGH THERE IS A STRANGE ALMOST-HUMAN QUALITY TO IT.
CROSS CONTAMINATION?
SOMETHING ABOUT THE HAIR...
...SOMETHING FAMILIAR.
NO!


THERE WAS A MAN, A PROFESSOR AT CAPITOL STATE UNIVERSITY NAMED MILES WARREN, WHO TOOK AN INTEREST IN ME.
HIS INTEREST WAS WILDLY INAPPROPRIATE.
HE BECAME OBSESSED, STARTED PROPOSITIONING ME MORE.
I PUT UP WITH IT FOR A WHILE--HE TAUGHT A COURSE THAT WAS CRITICAL TO MY DEGREE--BUT IT BECAME TOO MUCH.
NOT KNOWING WHAT ELSE TO DO, I CONFIDED IN MY ADVISER.
I HOPED THAT SHE WOULD ALLOW ME TO FIND ANOTHER WAY TO GET THE CREDIT TO COMPLETE MY REQUIREMENTS.
INSTEAD, SHE CONFRONTED HIM AND BACKED ME UP WITH THE DEAN OF STUDENTS.
IF MY FRIEND FLASH THOMPSON HAD HIS WAY, PROFESSOR WARREN WOULD HAVE LOST MORE THAN HIS REPUTATION.
BACK BEFORE HIS FAILED CONGRESSIONAL RUN AGAINST KYLE RICHMOND, FLASH BELIEVED IN A MUCH MORE HANDS-ON APPROACH TO HANDLING HIS PROBLEMS.
I WAS ABLE TO CONVINCE HIM TO LEAVE WARREN ALONE, BUT ONLY JUST.
AS IT WAS, WARREN LOST HIS JOB AND ALL CREDIBILITY AND RESPECT.
AND THEN...


...HE LOST HIS HUMANITY.
HE BECAME A CREATURE KNOWN AS THE JACKAL.
IT WAS STRANGE. HE NEVER BLAMED ME. INSTEAD, HE BECAME MORE OBSESSED.
HE BELIEVED IT WAS THE SCHOOL KEEPING US APART, AND HE DESTROYED PARTS OF THE OLD CSU CAMPUS IN HIS DELUDED RAGE.
NIGHTHAWK AND I MANAGED TO TAKE HIM IN, BUT NOT BEFORE PEOPLE WERE HURT.
HE WAS ADMITTED TO RAVENCROFT BEFORE MY TIME THERE.
THERE WAS A RIOT SOON AFTER HE ARRIVED, AND SOMEHOW HE GOT FREE.
THE RUMOR IS THAT HE BRIBED A GUARD, WHO HE THEN TURNED AROUND AND KILLED.
HE ESCAPED AND HASN'T BEEN HEARD FROM SINCE.
BUT WHY THESE VICTIMS?
WHAT LINKS THEM?
OH GOD!


HEY, SWEET STUFF!
HOW ABOUT YOU TRADE THAT LOSER FOR A REAL MAN, HUH?
BACK OFF, @$#£%@!
FLASH, COME ON, IT'S OKAY. HE'S NOT WORTH IT.
F-FRICKIN' PSYCHO!
I, UH, WROTE MY NUMBER ON THE CUP--I-IN CASE.
OH! UH, THANKS?
REALLY, IT'S OKAY. THESE ROADS ARE SLIPPERY! HERE'S MY INSURANCE.
THANK YOU, YOUNG LADY.
WILL YOU WAIT FOR THE AMBULANCE WITH ME?
OF COURSE, NOT A PROBLEM!
I'M THE CONNECTION.
HE'S KILLING THEM BECAUSE THEY INTERACTED WITH ME.
IF HE'S THIS DEEP INTO HIS DELUSION, THEN I THINK I KNOW WHERE TO FIND HIM.


THE OLD CSU LIBRARY.
HM.
SAME FIBERS...
THA-KRAK
FINALLY. YOU'RE HERE.
WHAT TOOK YOU SO LONG?


HA! HA! HA!
I KNEW YOU FELT IT TOO...THE CONNECTION.
WHAT CONNECTION? WE'RE STRANGERS.
WHY CONTINUE THE CHARADE?
I'M NOT PRETENDING, JACKAL.
BUT I DO WANT TO HELP YOU.
I KNOW WHO YOU ARE, GWEN.
HOW ELSE COULD I TAKE CARE OF YOUR PROBLEMS?
WE'RE MEANT TO BE TOGETHER.
THEY WEREN'T PROBLEMS, WARREN. THEY WERE PEOPLE. PEOPLE YOU KILLED.
YOU'RE SICK, AND YOU NEED HELP.
THEY WERE OBSTACLES, AND I'VE GOTTEN RID OF THEM ALL.
WELL, ALL BUT ONE. BUT DON'T WORRY--SHE'S NEXT.
BUT FOR THAT, I'LL HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU KEEP OUT OF THE WAY FOR A WHILE!


PLEASE, WARREN--
GRRAH!
THUD
WE DON'T HAVE TO DO THIS!
SOMETHING'S CHANGED.
THE LAST TIME WE FOUGHT, THE JACKAL WAS LIKE AN ANIMAL.
SAVAGE ATTACKS, BUT NO STRATEGY.
EASILY OUTWITTED IN COMBAT.

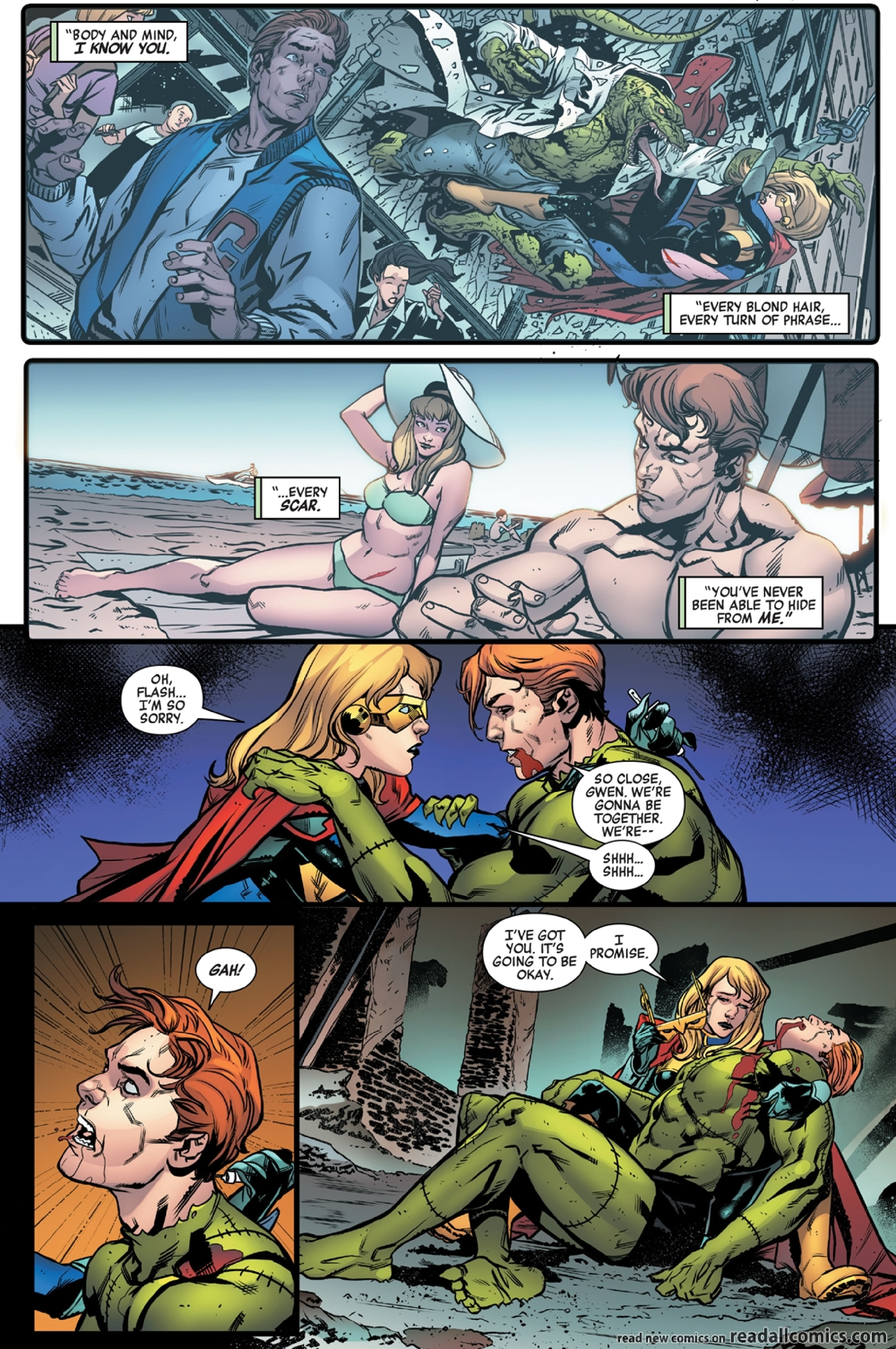

HUP!
THOK!
UGH!
HUD
NNF!
CLANK
SOMETHING IS WRONG.
HIS REACTIONS AREN'T INSTINCTUAL, LIKE THEY WERE BEFORE.
THEY'RE CALCULATED.
OOF!
HE'S COUNTERING MY MOVES AS IF HE HAS YEARS OF COMBAT TRAINING.
THIS ISN'T POSSIBLE.


I HAVE TO ADJUST TACTICS.
HE SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN STUDYING ME, SO IT'S TIME TO USE SOMEONE ELSE'S PLAYBOOK.
HAVE TO TIME THIS RIGHT.
PFFF
I'LL HAVE TO THANK NIGHTHAWK FOR THAT MOVE.
WORKED LIKE A CHARM.
HURK!

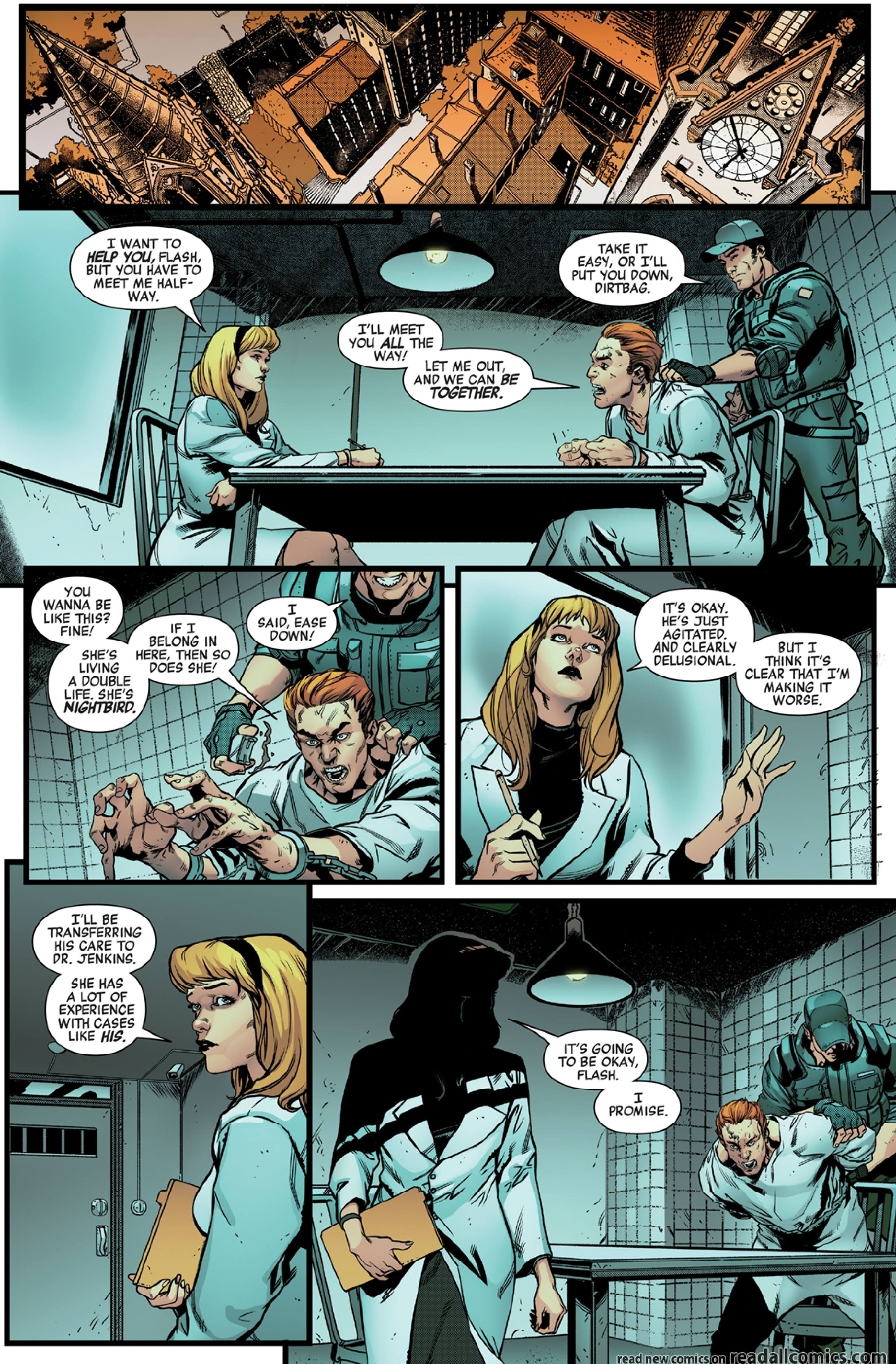


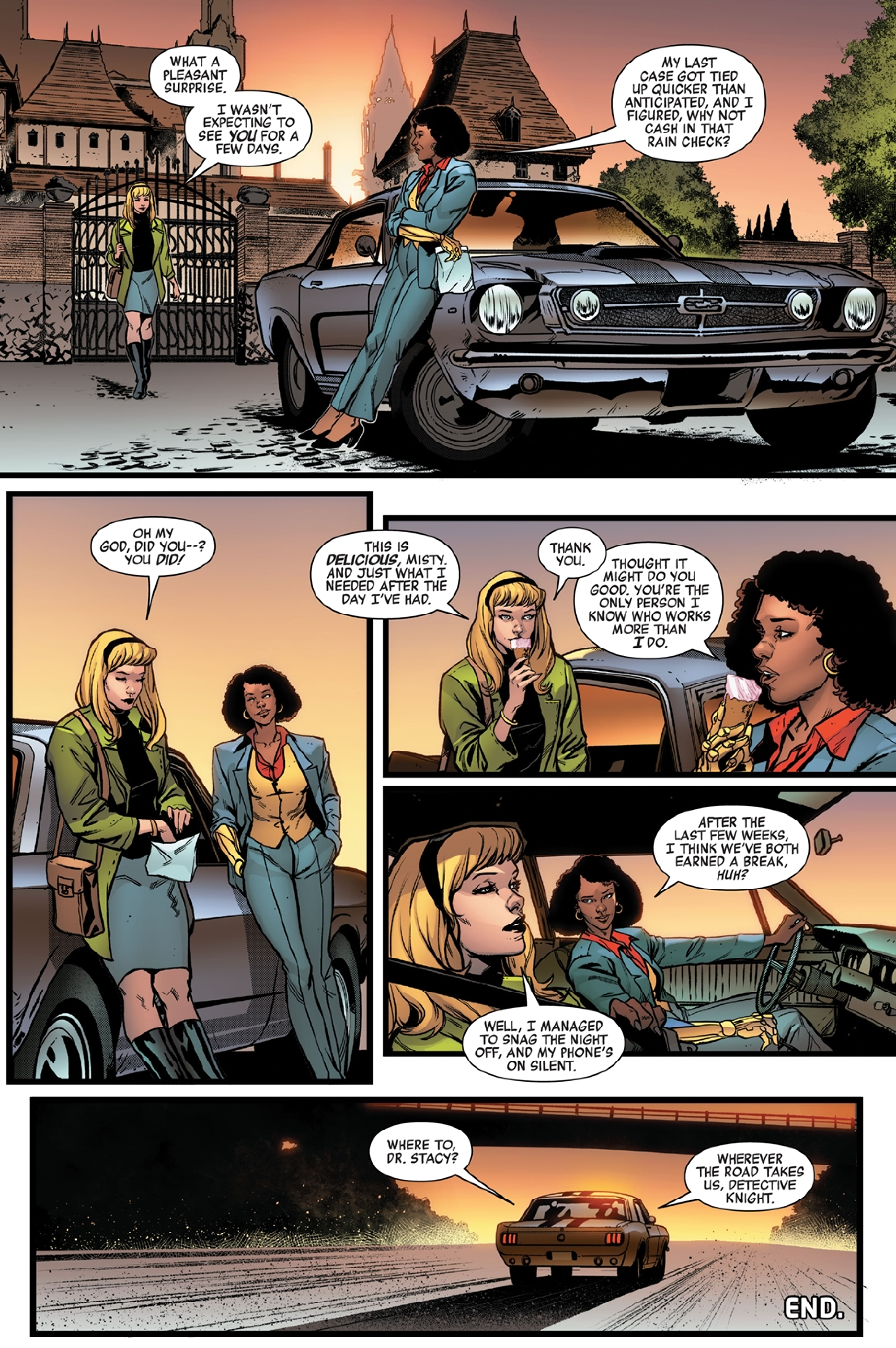
DON'T MAKE ME HURT YOU WHEN ALL I WANT IS TO TAKE CARE OF YOU...
THAT VOICE...
THIS ISN'T MILES WARREN.
NO--IT CAN'T BE!
WHOOSH
WHA--?
THOK
UGH!
MY GOD--
SNATCH


M-MY FACE!
--FLASH?
I DID THIS FOR YOU, GWEN.
"AT FIRST, I THOUGHT THERE WAS SOMETHING WRONG WITH ME. I WAS PRACTICALLY BEGGING YOU TO BE WITH ME, AND NOTHING.
"BUT THEN I REALIZED IT WAS YOU.
"--IT MADE YOU FEEL AFRAID.
"I KNEW THAT AS LONG AS HE WAS OUT THERE, YOU'D NEVER FEEL SAFE ENOUGH TO BE WITH ME, SO I DID WHAT NEEDED DOING.
"WHAT WARREN DID TO YOU--"
BUT THEN THERE WERE MORE PEOPLE IN THE WAY.
DON'T WORRY, GWEN, ONLY A FEW LEFT.
THEN WE CAN BE TOGETHER.
HE'S DEEP ENOUGH INTO HIS DELUSION THAT I MAY BE ABLE TO NUDGE HIM AWAY FROM THE PARTS THAT ARE TRUE.
YOU KEEP CALLING ME GWEN...
WHO IS SHE TO YOU?
PLEASE DON'T WASTE BOTH OUR TIME WITH DENIAL.
I KNOW YOU.


"BODY AND MIND, I KNOW YOU.
"EVERY BLOND HAIR, EVERY TURN OF PHRASE...
"...EVERY SCAR.
"YOU'VE NEVER BEEN ABLE TO HIDE FROM ME."
OH, FLASH... I'M SO SORRY.
SO CLOSE, GWEN. WE'RE GONNA BE TOGETHER. WE'RE--
SHHH... SHHH...
GAH!
I'VE GOT YOU. IT'S GOING TO BE OKAY.
I PROMISE.


DCPD
616TH PRECINCT.
=YAAAAAAWN=
DETECTIVE KNIGHT?
HUH?
THE COMMISH WANTS YOU, UH, *OUTSIDE.* LIKE, OUT FRONT.
OUTSIDE?
THE HELL IS GOING ON HERE?
LOOKS LIKE NIGHTBIRD LEFT US A LITTLE GIFT.
AND LOOK, SHE EVEN LEFT *EVIDENCE* THAT I'D BET IS ADMISSIBLE IN COURT.
EVIDENCE
#$&%@ #%&%@.
I'M NOT THANKING A CAPE, LUKE.
EITHER WAY, DO YOUR JOB.
BOOK THIS FREAK.


I WANT TO HELP YOU, FLASH, BUT YOU HAVE TO MEET ME HALF-WAY.
TAKE IT EASY, OR I'LL PUT YOU DOWN, DIRTBAG.
I'LL MEET YOU ALL THE WAY!
LET ME OUT, AND WE CAN BE TOGETHER.
YOU WANNA BE LIKE THIS? FINE!
SHE'S LIVING A DOUBLE LIFE. SHE'S NIGHTBIRD.
IF I BELONG IN HERE, THEN SO DOES SHE!
I SAID, EASE DOWN!
IT'S OKAY. HE'S JUST AGITATED. AND CLEARLY DELUSIONAL.
BUT I THINK IT'S CLEAR THAT I'M MAKING IT WORSE.
I'LL BE TRANSFERRING HIS CARE TO DR. JENKINS.
SHE HAS A LOT OF EXPERIENCE WITH CASES LIKE HIS.
IT'S GOING TO BE OKAY, FLASH.
I PROMISE.


WHAT A PLEASANT SURPRISE.
I WASN'T EXPECTING TO SEE *YOU* FOR A FEW DAYS.
MY LAST CASE GOT TIED UP QUICKER THAN ANTICIPATED, AND I FIGURED, WHY NOT CASH IN THAT RAIN CHECK?
OH MY GOD, DID YOU--? YOU *DID!*
THIS IS *DELICIOUS,* MISTY. AND JUST WHAT I NEEDED AFTER THE DAY I'VE HAD.
THANK YOU.
THOUGHT IT MIGHT DO YOU GOOD. YOU'RE THE ONLY PERSON I KNOW WHO WORKS MORE THAN *I* DO.
AFTER THE LAST FEW WEEKS, I THINK WE'VE BOTH EARNED A BREAK, *HUH?*
WELL, I MANAGED TO SNAG THE NIGHT OFF, AND MY PHONE'S ON SILENT.
WHERE TO, DR. STACY?
WHEREVER THE ROAD TAKES US, DETECTIVE KNIGHT.
END.

HEROES REBORN

CHECKLIST

MAY

- HEROES REBORN #1

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